

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Applicants gratefully appreciate the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in dependent claims 16 – 18 and 25 – 26. In this Amendment, Applicants have rewritten dependent claims 16 and 25 in independent form. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that now-independent claims 16 and 25, and claims 17-18 and 26 which respectively depend therefrom, are now allowable. Further in this Amendment, Applicants have cancelled previously pending claims 10 – 15, 19 – 24, and 27 – 28. Claims 1 – 9 were previously cancelled.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance with claims 16 – 18 and 25 – 26 being allowable. If there are any questions regarding this Amendment or this application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

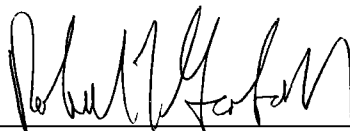
As provided for above, this paper includes a Petition for Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response. Please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 011235.58187US).

Respectfully submitted,

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